Creating DVDs and CDs

With Your DVD Writer/CD Writer Drive

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Your PC includes the DVD Writer/CD Writer, which is a DVD and CD rewriteable optical drive. This guide tells you about the optical drive features, and tells you about how to use some of the software programs to create DVDs and CDs.

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DVD Writer/CD Writer Drive Features

The DVD Writer/CD Writer is a multipurpose rewriteable optical drive that can:

- Record audio, data and video files onto DVDs or CDs.
- Create DVDs and VCDs that can be played on most DVD-ROM drives and some home DVD players.
- Record directly to a DVD or CD from a digital or an analogue video source, such as a digital video camera, a TV tuner or a VCR.

NOTE: Your PC must have an analogue capture card to capture video from an analogue device such as a VCR.

- Store, edit and preserve video files from various video sources.
- Store large amounts of data.
- Play DVD movies and music CDs.
- Read data DVDs and CDs.

Creating Music CDs with RecordNow!

NOTE: *Burn* is an industry term used to describe the recording of information onto a DVD or CD. Optical recording uses a laser beam to place information onto the disc, thus the term *burning.*

You can use RecordNow!™ to create audio CDs to play in your car or home CD player or on your PC.

Creating CDs to Play in Your Car or Home CD Players

1 Click **Start**, choose **All Programs**, **CD (DVD) Recorder**, **RecordNow!**, and then click **RecordNow!** again.
2 Click the **Audio Projects** tab.
3 Select **Audio CD for Car or Home CD Player**.
4 Insert a music CD. Select **View,** and then select your CD-ROM drive to view the tracks on your CD.
   Or
   Click **Find**, and then click **Browse** to find music files on your hard disk drive that you want to record.
5 Select the tracks you want to record, and then click **Add**.

NOTE: You can press Control (Ctrl) on your keyboard to select more than one track.

6 Click the **Burn** icon when you have added all the audio files to your music CD project.
7 Click **Yes**.
8 When prompted, insert a blank CD-R or CD-RW disc.

NOTE: If you want to play your music CD in your home or car stereo, use a CD-R disc. CD-RW discs may not play in some stereos.

9 Click **OK**. It is best not to use the PC while recording.
10 Click **Done** when recording is complete.

Click **?,** and then select **RecordNow! Help** for more information about recording music CDs with the RecordNow! program

Creating CDs to Play on Your PC

1 Click **Start**, choose **All Programs**, **CD (DVD) Recorder**, **RecordNow!**, and then click **RecordNow!** again.
2 Click the **Audio Projects** tab.
3 Select **Jukebox CD**.

4 Click **Find**, and then click **Browse** to find music files on your hard disk drive that you want to record.

Or

Click **Find**, and then click **Scan for Music**. RecordNow! searches your PC for all music files and places them into the Music on System window.

> **NOTE:** RecordNow! scans for all audio files, even the sounds from your operating system. If you don't want to display some of these sounds, you can select the **Options** icon (wrench), and then click **Audio**. Select **Hide audio files shorter than (in seconds)**, and then type in the seconds. Click **OK**.

5 Select the tracks you want to record, and then click **Add**.

> **NOTE:** You can press the Control (Ctrl) key to select more than one track.

6 Click the **Burn** icon when you have added all the audio files to your music CD project.

7 Click **Yes**.

8 When prompted, insert a blank CD-R or CD-RW disc. If the CD-RW disc is not blank, RecordNow! prompts you to erase it, and then automatically begins writing to it when it is erased.

> **NOTE:** If you want to play your music CD in your home or car stereo, use a CD-R disc. CD-RW discs may not play in some stereos.

9 Click **OK**. It is best not to use the PC while recording.

10 Click **Done** when recording is complete.

Click **?,** and then select **RecordNow! Help** for more information about recording music CDs with the RecordNow! program.

About Creating a Music CD

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When recording music files, it is important to note that:

- To play your music CD in a home or car stereo, it needs to be recorded as a music CD in CD Audio (CDA) format, not as a data CD.

- You must record all music files in one recording session because RecordNow! closes the CD after recording is complete. Music files can be recorded repeatedly onto a rewriteable (CD-RW) disc, but all previously recorded music files must be erased first.

- As you add music files in the recording session, RecordNow! calculates and displays the amount of recording time available to record additional music files.

- You can't record song titles unless you make an exact copy of a music CD in your collection.

- If you try to record more than a standard CD can hold, RecordNow! displays a message warning you that all the tracks may not fit on your disc.

Storing Files on a DVD or CD

Unlike music CDs, data DVDs and CDs can be recorded in multiple sessions.

1 Click **Start**, choose **All Programs**, **CD (DVD) Recorder**, **RecordNow!**, and then click **RecordNow!** again.

2 Select the **Data Projects** tab.

3 Insert a blank or appendable CD-R, CD-RW, DVD+R, or DVD+RW disc into your drive, and then click **Data Disc**.

- If the disc is blank, click **Continue**.

  Or

- If the disc is full, insert a blank or another appendable disc.

  Or

- If you are adding files to a disc, follow onscreen instructions. You may have to click **Cancel**, eject the disc, insert it again, and then record.

  Or

- If you are erasing a rewriteable disc, click **Continue**.

NOTE: An appendable disc means additional files can be added to it, as there is disc space available. Recorded audio CDs are closed session discs which are not appendable.

4 To name your disc, select **Volume Label**, and then type your name over it. RecordNow! will assign a name based on the recording date if you don't type in a name.

5 Add your data files to the file selection window:

- Click the **Add Files and Folders** button, click the **browse** folder icon to find and select your file, and then click **Add**. Repeat this step until all files are added.
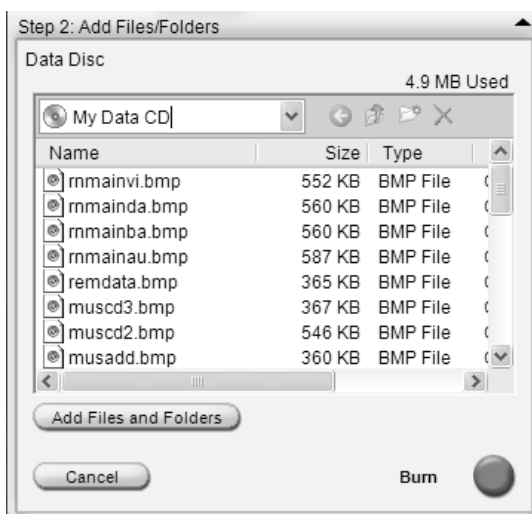
  Or

- Drag your file from your desktop or from anywhere in Windows Explorer into the file selection window. Repeat this step until all files are added.

NOTE: You can rename your files in the file selection window by selecting and typing over the current name. This does not affect the original files on your hard disk drive.

6 Click the **Burn** icon when all of your files have been added.

7 Click **Done** when recording is complete.

Click **?,** and then click **RecordNow! Help** for more information about recording data files with the RecordNow! program.

About Storing Data Files on Disc

When storing data files on a disc, it is important to note that:

- You can add new data files to a CD-R and a DVD+R in a later recording session, until the disc is full. With DVD+R discs, you need to select the correct setting in RecordNow! to record files in a later session. To do this, insert your recorded DVD, open RecordNow!, click the **Options** icon (wrench), click **Data**, select the recording option you want, and then click **OK**.

- When you record files that have the same name as previously recorded files, RecordNow! updates the file and the previous version is overwritten.

- RecordNow! allows you to change file names and titles of files you want to record, and files that were previously recorded.

- As you select data files to record to your disc, RecordNow! calculates and displays the amount of recording space available on your disc.

Copying a DVD or CD

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RecordNow! allows you to make a copy of a music or data disc from your collection. You can't copy commercial DVDs and CDs because they are protected by copyright laws. DVDs are encoded to prevent illegal duplication.

To make a copy of a music or data disc from your collection:

1 Click **Start**, choose **All Programs**, **CD (DVD) Recorder**, **RecordNow!**, and then click **RecordNow!** again.

2 Select the **Backup Projects** tab.

3 Select **Exact Copy**.

4 Insert the CD or DVD you want to copy.

5 Click the **Copy** icon.

6 Insert a blank DVD or CD into the drive, and then click **OK**.

7 Click **Done** when the recording is complete.

Erasing a DVD or CD

You can use RecordNow! to erase music, data or video files from rewriteable DVDs and CDs, leaving almost all the disc space available for new recordings.

If you try to record a video or music file to a rewriteable disc that has files on it, the recording program will prompt you to erase the disc first.

1 Click **Start**, choose **All Programs**, **CD (DVD) Recorder, RecordNow!**, and then click **RecordNow!** again.

2 Insert the DVD+RW or CD-RW you want to erase. If an Auto Play window opens, click **Cancel**.

3 Select the **Data Projects** tab.

4 Click **Erase Disc**.

5 Click **Yes** to confirm that you want to erase the disc.

Removing Files from a Recorded Data Disc

RecordNow! can't erase files from recordable (record once) DVDs or CDs, but files that have been previously recorded can be removed. When you remove a recorded file from a data DVD+R or CD-R, the disc space is lost and can't be used for new recordings.

To remove data files from a recorded DVD or CD:

1 Click **Start**, choose **All Programs**, **CD (DVD) Recorder**, **RecordNow!**, and then click **RecordNow!** again.

2 Select the **Data Projects** tab.

3 Insert the disc from which you want to remove files. If an Auto Play window opens, click **Cancel**.

4 Click **Data Disc**.

5 Select the file you want to remove, and then click the **Remove** icon. You must have at least one file on your data disc to re-record it.
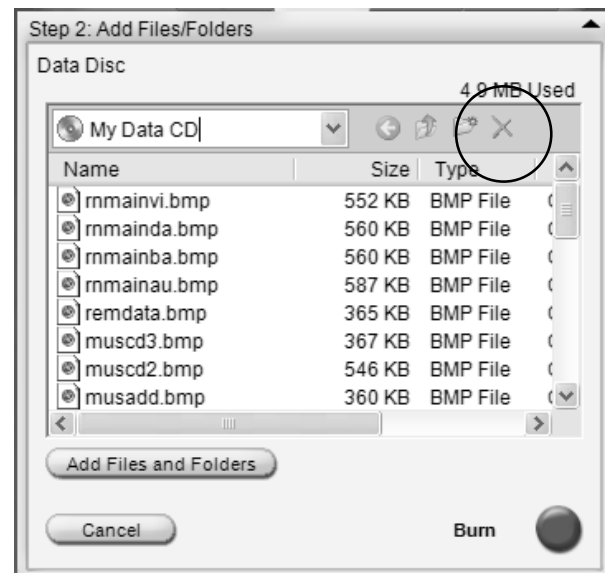
6 Click **Yes**.

7 Click the **Burn** icon to save your data disc without the files you removed.

8 Click **Done** when the recording is complete.

About Removing Files in RecordNow!

When removing files in RecordNow!, it is important to note:

- When you remove a recorded file from a data DVD+R or CD-R, the disc space is lost and can't be used for new recordings.
- You can't remove music files from previously recorded music CDs, but you can remove music files from the File Selection window in RecordNow! before you record the files to your disc.
- You must use a blank CD to create a music CD.
- If you delete files from the File Selection window in RecordNow! before the disc is recorded, available disc space is not affected. If you delete a file from a DVD+R or CD-R after the disc is recorded, available disc space is lost.

Creating DVD Movies

Your DVD Writer/CD Writer drive allows you to create, edit and record your home movies by using the InterVideo® WinDVD™ Creator software program.

With InterVideo WinDVD Creator you can:

- Copy a video from your digital camcorder to a DVD.
- Create a video project that combines various video files and slideshows, and DVD menu items.
- Edit your recorded DVD movie later if you choose.
- Transfer your home video files to your hard disk drive.
- Edit video files, and customise the look and layout of the DVD menu.
- Record your video project file to DVD.

Using InterVideo WinDVD Creator

To use WinDVD Creator:

1 Click **Start**, choose **All Programs**, **Video**, **InterVideo WinDVD Creator**, and then click **InterVideo WinDVD Creator** again.

2 When the WinDVD Creator opens, you can select to:
- Create a new project.
- Open an existing project.
- Create CD/DVD with existing video file.
- Record video tape to DVD disc in one step.

3 Follow onscreen instructions to capture your video and create your video projects.

For instructions on creating DVDs and video CDs, select **Help** on the WinDVD Creator menu bar.

Requirements for Capturing Video

You can copy (capture) video files to your hard disk drive by using the InterVideo WinDVD Creator program. To capture video, your PC also needs either a FireWire® (IEEE 1394) port to capture video from a digital video (DV) camera, or it needs an analogue video capture card to capture video from a VCR, or an analogue video camera. TV video can also be captured if the capture card has a TV tuner.

To capture video files, you need to:

- Connect your digital video capture device properly.
- Turn your device on, and set it to playback mode.
- Make sure the program you want to use can detect your digital or analogue device.

NOTE: You may need to turn your device off and on again for the program to detect it.

If your PC has both a digital and an analogue video capture card, make sure you select the correct video source from within the video capture program. Refer to the Help menu in the video capture program you are using for more information about selecting your video source.

Playing Your Recorded DVD Movie

You can use InterVideo WinDVD or the Windows Media Player programs to play your recorded movies.

Playing Your DVD in InterVideo WinDVD

1 Insert your DVD or video CD (VCD) into a DVD drive. Select **Play DVD movie using InterVideo WinDVD** from the AutoPlay window, and then click **OK**. The InterVideo WinDVD program opens automatically.

Or

If the program doesn't open, click **Start**, choose **All Programs**, **Video**, **Intervideo WinDVD Player**, and then click **InterVideo WinDVD 4**.

2 Use the InterVideo WinDVD control panel to play your DVD or VCD.

InterVideo WinDVD is able to display DVD menus for both DVDs and VCDs.

Playing Your DVD in Windows Media Player

1 Insert your DVD into a DVD drive. Select **Play DVD Video using Windows Media Player** from the AutoPlay window, and then click **OK**. You may need to set up Windows Media Player the first time you open it.

Or

If the program doesn't open, click **Start**, choose **All Programs**, and then click **Windows Media Player**.

2 Use the Windows Media Player control panel to play your DVD.

NOTE: The menu formatting of created video CDs does not appear in Windows Media Player.

About Recording Video Files

Video quality depends on the quality of the source files, the PC speed, and its graphics processing ability.

If you need help creating or recording DVD movies, refer to the Help files in the video editing and recording programs.

NOTE: Your DVD Writer/CD Writer drive will not copy commercially available DVD movies. Most commercial DVDs are encoded to prevent unauthorised duplication.

Disc Labels

> ⚠ **WARNING: When labelling your DVDs, do not use sticky labels. They can cause the DVD to play erratically. Instead, write on the DVD with a felt tip pen to label it.**

Recording VHS Video Files onto DVDs

To record VHS video files onto DVDs:

- Your PC must have an analogue capture card that you can connect to a VCR or to another analogue video source.
- The video recording software must support analogue capture devices.
- You must connect a VCR to an analogue video port on the PC, open the video recording software, select the proper video input device, and then follow the onscreen instructions.

Creating Recovery CD/DVDs for the PC

For more information about creating Recovery CDs/DVDs, refer to the *User's Guide* that came with your PC.

Setting Automatic Recording Options

When you first insert a blank CD into your DVD Writer/CD Writer drive, Microsoft® Windows® XP may give you options for the type of disc you insert.

NOTE: When you insert a blank DVD into your DVD Writer/CD Writer drive, an options window does not appear. You must open the program you want to use with your DVD, and then perform an action.
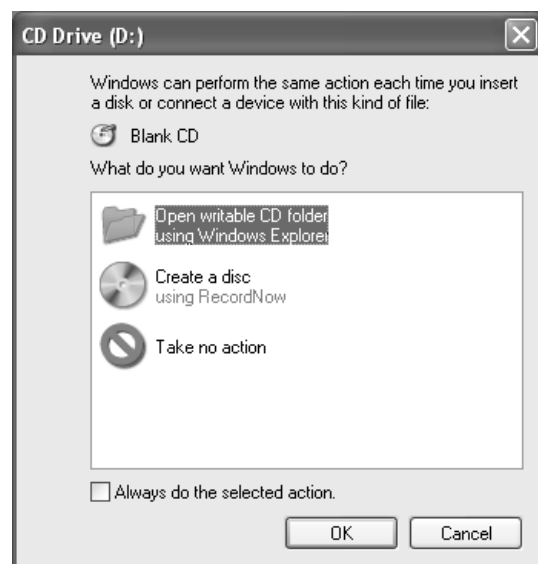
For example, if you insert a blank CD-RW disc, you can select any of these options:

- Open writeable CD folder using Windows Explorer.
- Create a disc using RecordNow!
- Take no action.

If this window of options does not appear, you can click **Start**, **My Computer**, right-click the **DVD Writer/CD Writer drive** icon, and then select one of the available options.

You can also open a program before you insert a disc. After the program is opened, select an action and follow onscreen instructions within the program.

You can choose to have a specific action occur automatically each time you insert a blank CD by selecting the *Always do the selected action* box.

If you later decide that you want to change the option you have set:

1 Click **Start**.
2 Click **My Computer**.
3 Right-click the **DVD Writer/CD Writer drive** icon and select **Properties**.
4 Click the **AutoPlay** tab.
5 Click **Select an action to perform**, select an action, and then click **OK**.

   Or

   Click **Prompt me each time to choose an action**, and then click **OK**.

If you insert a blank or data disc, a window with options for blank or data discs opens.

If the option you want is not listed, you can select **Take no action**, and then click **OK**. The window closes, and you can then manually select a different option through the Start menu on the desktop.

Here are some of the other options you can choose:

- To view the files on the disc you inserted, click **Start**, **My Computer**, and then right-click the **DVD Writer/CD Writer drive** icon and choose **Explore**.
- To view the files on the disc you inserted, click **Start**, **My Computer**, and then double-click the **DVD Writer/CD Writer drive** icon.
- To open a particular program, click **Start**, choose **All Programs**, and then click the program you want.

Compatibility Information

An important feature of the DVD Writer/ CD Writer drive is its high level of compatibility with other optical drives and CD and DVD players.

- The CDs that you create play in most home and car stereos and in most computer DVD-ROM and CD-ROM drives.

    NOTE: CD-R discs are more compatible with home and car stereos than CD-RW discs are.

- The DVDs that you create are compatible with some DVD video players and with most computer DVD-ROM drives.

Your DVD Writer/CD Writer drive is able to read from and record to several types of optical discs. Writing speed rates for the DVD Writer/CD Writer drive are fast, allowing quick recording times.

IMPORTANT: The DVD Writer/CD Writer drive can't record to DVD-R, DVD-RW, or DVD-RAM discs. The DVD Writer can read a DVD-R and DVD-RW discs, but when recording, use a DVD that has a "+" in the name.

Compatible File Formats

Your DVD Writer/CD Writer drive can read and record the following audio formats:

- WAV, MP3, WMA and CDA for CDs
- WAV, MPEG-1, MPEG-2, WMA and Layer 2 files for DVDs

Your DVD Writer/CD Writer drive can read and record the following video formats:

- MPEG-1 and MPEG-2
- AVI and WMV

Disc Quick Reference

Your PC can read and record to DVD+RW, DVD+R, CD-RW and CD-R discs in the DVD Writer/CD Writer drive.

Your PC can also read DVD-RW and DVD-R discs.

DVD+R discs

- Can't be erased or written to again. Some programs, like RecordNow!, allow you to record data in multiple sessions until the disc is full.
- Can't edit a DVD+R that has been recorded as a DVD movie.
- Hold up to 4.7 GB — the equivalent of seven CDs.
- Record up to 2 hours of video files, depending on the quality of the recording.
- Are compatible with more DVD drives and players than a DVD+RW disc is.
- Can be used to back up your hard disk drive files.

DVD+RW discs

- Can be erased and rewritten.
- Can hold up to 4.7 GB — equivalent of seven CDs.
- Record up to 2 hours of video files, depending on the quality of the recording.
- Can be used to back up hard disk drive files that you can update periodically.

CD-R discs

- Can't be erased or written to again. Some programs, like RecordNow!, allow you to record data in multiple sessions until the disc is full.
- Can hold about 80 minutes of music files, or up to 99 tracks.
- Can hold 700 MB of data, depending on the CD.
- Can be used to create storage discs for your hard disk drive files.

CD-RW discs

- Can be erased or rewritten.
- Can hold about 80 minutes of music files, or up to 99 tracks.
- Can hold 700 MB of data, depending on the CD.
- Can be used to create storage discs for your hard disk drive files.

Video Recording Length

Disc type	Video quality setting		
	Good	Better	Best
4.7 GB DVD+RW, DVD+R	180 minutes	120 minutes	60 minutes
700 MB CD-RW, CD-R	27 minutes	18 minutes	9 minutes
650 MB CD-RW, CD-R	24 minutes	16 minutes	8 minutes

NOTE: Video quality settings and recording lengths may vary.

Disc Feature and Compatibility

Disc	File type	Can be recorded onto	Plays in PC	Plays in home or car stereo	Plays in home DVD player
CD-ROM	Data	No	Yes	No	No
	Music	No	Yes	Yes	Varies by model
CD-R	Data	Yes	Yes	No	No
	MP3 Music	Yes	Yes	Varies by model	Varies by model
CD-RW	Data	Yes	Yes	No	No
	MP3 Music	Yes	Yes	Varies by model	Varies by model
DVD-ROM	Data	No	Yes	No	No
	DVD movie	No	Yes	No	Yes
DVD+R	Data	Yes	Yes	No	No
	DVD movie	Yes	Yes	No	Varies by model
DVD+RW	Data	Yes	Yes	No	No
	DVD movie	Yes	Yes	No	Varies by model
VCD	DVD movie	No	Yes	No	Varies by model

NOTE: For the latest disc compatibility information for your PC, check the following Web site: http://www.hp.com

Optical Drive Quick Reference

Optical drive can	CD-ROM	CD-RW, CD-R	DVD-ROM	DVD+RW/+R	Combo CD-RW/DVD
Read CDs, CD-Rs and CD-RWs	X	X	X	X	X
Read DVD-RW/-R and DVD+RW/+Rs			X	X	X
Read data on a CD	X	X	X	X	X
Play music	X	X	X	X	X
Record data or music to disc for storage		X		X	X
View DVD movies			X	X	X
Record DVD movies				X	
Play PC games	X	X	X	X	X

Software Quick Reference

To open the DVD Writer/CD Writer software programs, click **Start** on the taskbar, choose **All Programs**, select the program folder, and then click the program to open the software. Refer to the following table to determine the best programs for the tasks you want to do.

NOTE: You may have a software update CD included with your PC. You may need to install this CD before using the DVD Writer/CD Writer drive. To do this, follow the installation instructions that came with the CD.

The PC has various software programs preinstalled that you can use with the DVD Writer/CD Writer drive:

- Windows Media Player
- RealOne Player
- Windows Movie Maker 2.0
- InterVideo WinDVD
- RecordNow!
- InterVideo WinDVD Creator

NOTE: Some programs listed above may not be included with your PC model.

Your PC comes with the following software programs. Use this table to find out what you can do within each program.

Software	With this program you can
Windows Media Player	• Play music CDs, MP3, and other audio files. • Play DVD movies. (Windows Media Player can play DVDs only if another DVD player program, such as InterVideo WinDVD, is installed.) • Play Windows Movie Maker files. • Record music files. • Organise digital files into a library for recording or listening.
RealOne Player	• Play music CDs, MP3 and other audio files. • Play DVD movies. (RealOne Player can play DVDs only if another DVD player program, such as InterVideo WinDVD, is installed.) • Play video CDs. • Record music files. • Organise digital files into a library for recording or listening.
Windows Movie Maker 2.0	• Import audio, video and other media files from a videotape, an audiotape, a Web camera or a television broadcast. • Record audio and video files to create a video project that becomes a Windows Media source file with a .wmv extension. • Edit and preview files. • Send movie in an e-mail or to a Web server. • Add music files (MP3). • Import audio files such as .mp3, .asf or .wma; video files such as .wmv, .asf, .avi or .mpg; or image files such as .jpg or .gif. • Can create AVI and WMV (Windows Media Video) files.

Software	With this program you can
InterVideo WinDVD	• Play DVD movies and video CDs (VCD). • For more information about playing DVDs with InterVideo WinDVD, refer to the printed information that came with your PC.
RecordNow!	• Record data and music files. • Record a copy of an existing music or data CD to use on the PC. • Create customised music CDs from CDs in your collection, or from WAV, MP3 or WMA files. These CDs can be played in your home or car stereo. • Copy and share data files. • Copy short video files. **NOTE:** Video files recorded with RecordNow! can be viewed on a PC but not on home DVD video players.
InterVideo WinDVD Creator	• Capture digital and analogue video files directly from a digital video (DV) camera, VCR, or other analogue capture device in a few steps. **NOTE:** Your PC may not include an analogue capture device. • Assemble movies by capturing video clips and scenes into your video project. • Edit your movies. Cut scenes and add music and sound effects, still images, text, video transitions and voice-overs. • Preview movies during editing, and before recording final files. • Create video files, export them to your hard disk drive, to your digital video camera, to a VHS tape or to an e-mail file, and then play them on your PC. • Create video files, record them to DVDs and CDs, and then play them on some set-top DVD players. • Record video files to VCDs and DVDs. • Create MPEG files.

Troubleshooting

My Recording Failed

If your recording failed, try the following, and then record your files again:

- Close all other programs, and don't perform any tasks while recording.
- Enable Direct Memory Access (DMA) on your PC.
- Reduce maximum recording speed.
- Make sure you select the correct drive before recording. RecordNow! selects the first optical drive it finds, but you can select the drive in RecordNow! before you begin recording.
- Make sure you have enough space available on your hard disk drive for RecordNow! to store a temporary copy of your CD.

- RecordNow! can record only to the same disc type it records from. For example, you can record a DVD only to a DVD+R or DVD+RW disc, and you can record a CD only to a CD-R or a CD-RW disc.
- When you create a DVD or CD, RecordNow! does not let you add a track if it exceeds the available space on your disc. Most CD-R discs can record about 80 minutes. You can make space available by removing one or more tracks from the list before recording the remaining files to CD.

I Can't Add Files to My Music CD

When recording a music CD, RecordNow! creates a closed session CD, which means no additional files can be added to that disc after the initial recording.

I Can't Add Data Files to My DVD

When you create a data CD in RecordNow!, data files can be added in later recording sessions until the disc is full. If you want to record data to a DVD in multiple sessions, you must set the correct recording option.

To do this, insert your data disc, open RecordNow!, click the **Options** icon (wrench), click **Data**, and then select the multiple session recording option.

My Music CD Won't Play in My Stereo

If your CD won't play in your home or car stereo, try the following:

- Use a CD-R, not a CD-RW disc.
- Try another CD brand, or check to see if the brand of disc works with your stereo. Check the documentation that came with your CD player, and check the manufacturer's Web site.
- If you are creating music CDs from MP3 or WMA audio files, those files need to be converted to WAV or CDA music files before recording.
- Use a CD instead of a DVD. You can record audio files to a DVD to be played on your PC, but you cannot create a music DVD to be played in a home or car CD player.

The Titles of My Music Tracks Don't Appear on My CD

You must be connected to the Internet for the artist, title and track information to appear when playing your music CD in Windows Media Player, or when recording your music CD in RecordNow! If you are not connected to the Internet, the music tracks are displayed as Track 1, Track 2, etc.

NOTE: Artist, title and track information cannot be recorded to disc in RecordNow!

I Get an Error Message When I Try to Capture Video Files

If you have an analogue and a digital capture device on your PC, you may need to select your device before capturing video files. Refer to the Help menu in the video capturing program to find out how to change your video device selection.

My PC Doesn't Recognise My Digital Camcorder When Capturing Video Files

Before you can transfer your digital video files to your PC, you must connect your camcorder properly to a FireWire (IEEE 1394) port on your PC, turn your camcorder on, and then select the playback mode before transferring video files to your hard disk drive.

My Movie Won't Play on My DVD Player

Your DVD movie may be in a file format that your DVD player can't read. If you recorded your video files as data, they will not have the proper format to be played on your DVD player. Files must be encoded in the proper DVD video format by using a recording program such as InterVideo WinDVD Creator to play in your DVD player.

Which Discs are Compatible With My DVD and CD Players?

Go to the Web site of your DVD or CD player manufacturer to find information about disc compatibility.

More Information

For more information about your DVD Writer/ CD Writer drive and DVD Writer/CD Writer software programs, refer to the:

- Printed *User's Guide* included with your PC.
- Help menus within any of the programs included with your PC.
- Web sites of software manufacturers (for the latest program updates).
- Help and Support information located in the Start menu on your desktop.

For technical support information, refer to your *Warranty and Support Guide.*

For general information about products and services, and for answers to computer support questions, go to the following Web site at:

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